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AFRL technologies displayed at Miami Beach

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MIAMI BEACH, FLA. – Major James Brown, right, a division chief with the Air Force Research Laboratory's Directed Energy Directorate at Kirtland AFB, N.M., explains how lab-developed technologies are letting astronomers see things in space more clearly. Two young men in the photo are examining a model of the Starfire Optical Range's 3.5-meter telescope, one of the largest in the world capable of tracking satellites. These technologies were part of an overall AFRL exhibit that was open to the general public during the three-day Technology 2009 exhibition. More than 4,000 scientists, engineers and corporate executives attended the event, one of the largest exhibitions in the country devoted to showcasing government technologies that may have commercial applications.